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Mary Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station, 2nd Floor
Boston, MA 02110

Re: Boston Edison Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company, Canal Electric Company and Commonwealth Electric Company, d/b/a NSTAR Electric, D.T.E. 06-40

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

The Attorney General submits this letter as his response to the Initial Brief filed by Boston Edison Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company, Canal Electric Company and Commonwealth Electric Company, d/b/a NSTAR Electric (together, the "Companies"), on September 6, 2006.

The Companies' Initial Brief does not include any additional issues that require comment and so the Attorney General will not submit a reply brief. The Attorney General, however, reserves his right to respond to any Reply Brief filed by the Companies. G.L. c. 30A § 11(1). In addition, the Department should not interpret the Attorney General's failure to comment on a particular argument in the Companies' Initial Brief as his assent to that argument.

Sincerely,

/s/

Colleen McConnell
Assistant Attorney General

cc: Service List

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DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

Boston Edison Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company,)
Canal Electric Company and Commonwealth Electric Company,)
d/b/a NSTAR Electric)

D.T.E. 06-40

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day caused the foregoing document to be served upon each person on the service list compiled by the Secretary. Dated at Boston this 15th day of September, 2006.

_____/s/_____
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